

Climate Change Act 2008

2008 CHAPTER 27

PART 1

CARBON TARGET AND BUDGETING

Alteration of budgets or budgetary periods

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- (1) Before laying before Parliament a draft of a statutory instrument containing an order under section 21 (alteration of carbon budgets), the Secretary of State must—
 - (a) obtain, and take into account, the advice of the Committee on Climate Change, and
 - (b) take into account any representations made by the other national authorities.
- (2) The Committee must, at the time it gives its advice to the Secretary of State, send a copy to the other national authorities.
- (3) As soon as is reasonably practicable after giving its advice to the Secretary of State, the Committee must publish that advice in such manner as it considers appropriate.
- (4) The Secretary of State may proceed to lay such a draft statutory instrument before Parliament without having received a national authority's representations if the authority does not provide them before the end of the relevant period.
- (5) The relevant period is—
 - (a) if the budgetary period to which the order relates has begun, one month beginning with the date the Committee's advice was sent to the authority, or
 - (b) otherwise, three months beginning with that date.
- (6) At the same time as laying such a draft statutory instrument before Parliament, the Secretary of State must publish a statement setting out whether and how the order takes account of any representations made by the other national authorities.

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- (7) If the order makes provision different from that recommended by the Committee, the Secretary of State must also publish a statement setting out the reasons for that decision.
- (8) A statement under this section may be published in such manner as the Secretary of State thinks fit.